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SUBJECT: RUMORED PERSONNEL SHIFT AT MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI)

1. THE MARCH 31 EDITION OF THE VERNACULAR TRADE DAILY NIKKAN KOGYO REPORTED THAT MITI MINISTER KOMOTO HAS DECIDED TO APPOINT SHIGERU KOINO, CURRENTLY MITI'S DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE INDUSTRIAL POLICY BUREAU, TO SUCCEED TOSHINOBU WADA AS ADMINISTRATIVE VICE MINISTER (THE HIGHEST CAREER POST) AS PART OF THE ANNUAL JUNE PERSONNEL SHIFT. THE ARTICLE ALSO SAID THAT MINORU MASUDA, CURRENTLY VICE MINISTER FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, MIGHT RESIGN ALONG WITH WADA.

2. SUCH RUMORS ARE COMMON AT THIS TIME OF THE YEAR, AND THEY WILL PROBABLY INCREASE IN NUMBER AS JUNE APPROACHES. WE HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO EVALUATE ITS ACCURACY, AND OUR MITI CONTACTS WOULD NOT COMMENT ON THE STORY. FOR THE RECORD, HOWEVER, KOINO GRADUATED FROM TOKYO UNIVERSITY IN 1947, AND HAS SERVED IN MITI'S MINISTER'S SECRETARIAT AND AS DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION BUREAU. MANSFIELD

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